AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-2. (Canceled) .

- 3. (Currently Amended) <u>A</u> The rolling bearing according to Claim 1 comprising: inner and outer members rotatable relative to each other;
- a plurality of rolling elements rotatably interposed between said inner and outer members; and

a retainer rotatably holding said rolling elements, wherein said retainer is made of a resin composition having a flexural modulus of at least 3,500 MPa at 180°C and a heat-resistant temperature of at least 150°C, wherein said resin composition is polyamide 46 containing carbon fiber in an amount of from not smaller than 10% by weight to less than 40% by weight.

- 4. (Currently Amended) <u>A The rolling bearing according to Claim 1 comprising:</u> inner and outer members rotatable relative to each other;
- a plurality of rolling elements rotatably interposed between said inner and outer members; and

a retainer rotatably holding said rolling elements, wherein said retainer is made of a resin composition having a flexural modulus of at least 3,500 MPa at 180°C and a heat-resistant temperature of at least 150°C, wherein said resin composition is a polyphenylene sulfide resin containing carbon fiber in an amount of from not smaller than 20% by weight to less than 40% by weight.

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- 5. (Currently Amended) <u>A</u> The rolling bearing according to Claim 1 comprising: inner and outer members rotatable relative to each other;
- a plurality of rolling elements rotatably interposed between said inner and outer members; and

a retainer rotatably holding said rolling elements, wherein said retainer is made of a resin composition having a flexural modulus of at least 3,500 MPa at 180°C and a heat-resistant temperature of at least 150°C, wherein said resin composition is a polyether ether ketone resin containing glass fiber in an amount of from not smaller than 20% by weight to less than 40% by weight.

- 6. (Currently Amended) <u>A</u> The rolling bearing according to Claim-1 comprising: inner and outer members rotatable relative to each other;
- a plurality of rolling elements rotatably interposed between said inner and outer members; and

a retainer rotatably holding said rolling elements, wherein said retainer is made of a resin composition having a flexural modulus of at least 3,500 MPa at 180°C and a heat-resistant temperature of at least 150°C, wherein said resin composition is a polyether ether ketone resin containing carbon fiber in an amount of from not smaller than 10% by weight to less than 40% by weight.

- 7. (Currently Amended) The rolling bearing according to Claim [[1]] 4, wherein said retainer is prepared in such an arrangement that the entire inner circumference thereof acts as a mold gate.
- 8. (Currently Amended) The rolling bearing according to Claim [[1]] 4, wherein said resin composition does not include a heat resisting resin as a component thereof.

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9. (Currently Amended) <u>A The rolling bearing according to Claim 1 comprising:</u> inner and outer members rotatable relative to each other;

a plurality of rolling elements rotatably interposed between said inner and outer members; and

a retainer rotatably holding said rolling elements, wherein said retainer is made of a resin composition having a flexural modulus of at least 3,500 MPa at 180°C and a heat-resistant temperature of at least 150°C, wherein said resin composition consists essentially of two components.